



MEETING MINUTES

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF MONO STATE OF CALIFORNIA

March 3, 2009

9:00 AM Meeting Called to Order by Chairman, Supervisor Bill Reid

Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Vikki Bauer

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

None

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Hunt: ML Housing meeting; Town of ML has no compliance officers so ML Housing will take over; TOT for single family homes; Rick Johnson's house meeting of First Five; Board of Directors meeting ESTA – evaluation of first 10 months of executive director of ESTA – needs outside observation from Terry Gooch Ross; lunch meeting at Cervinos with Rich Phelps from Iceland, re development of Geo Thermal heating/energy facility in Mammoth Lakes; Meeting in Bishop of Blueprint/ Eastern Sierra Corridor/Land Tenure/Steering Committee etc. re progress on trying to create a central info provider for all participants; ESTA special session for evaluation of director.

Farnetti: Town county Liaison meeting discussing church parcel, ERAF, etc. TRG meeting re needs assessments; Mono County Mental Health/Alcohol Advisory – public hearing on capital facilities and technological needs and allocations to be made; Antelope Valley Wellness Center funding; Lunch with Rich Phelps, Iceland, re Geo thermal; State budget impacts appear to be minimal this coming year as to effects on counties.

Hazard: met with Terry Gooch Ross re Community Development reorganization; meeting with Marshall and Garret re Policy Manual they are working on; Swall Meadows needs assessment – escape route discussion; Swall Meadows need for a meeting room (perhaps using fire departments); need for playground area – less retired people and more families with children; Dave Harvey and Tony Barrett re visitors center – referred them to Dan Lyster and Community Development; Paradise needs assessment – nothing really new – mostly old issues; would like to establish meeting room; drainage control/runoff issues; want improved internet and phone service; met with Terry Gooch re needs; Benton RPAC – adjourned Board meeting will be held on 17th – tribe is asking the Board for letter of support to move the property they have on Hwy 6 into a trust; possibly an MOU situation would be better for County. Health & Safety concerns; Benton folks will attend adjourned meeting and address their concerns; ALTEL is walking several sites re cell tower and internet service; DWP would like to come to a Board meeting or evening meeting in Crowley Lake re the Quaga Mussel, etc and their plans for opening fishing. Want to have evening meeting on April 7th and perhaps Fish and Game could attend also. Sheriff will also be invited to attend re enforcement of lake access, etc. Dolores Wright has retired from IMAAA. Hazard requests that the meeting today be adjourned in memory of Tom Crum from White Mtn. estates.

Bauer: Information on Hwy 120 and cinders; June Lake Economic Dev. Meeting in June Lake – they will request coming before the Housing Authority re Housing ordinance; STA funds were wiped out and this affects ESTA – Bauer will go to Washington next week re STA funds;

Reid: BLM put on meeting – Cougar Gold attended – meeting went well- discussion on exploratory drilling – Cougar Gold is grandfathered in with WSA with proper equipment, etc White Mtn vehicle request – asks CAO re request letter; met with John Regglebrugge re Yosemite shared housing, looking at property in Northern county and Edison property around Lee Vining; no management meeting tomorrow; reviewing proposed personnel manual one more time; was supposed to have meeting with Mono Lake Committee and State Parks and meeting needs to be rescheduled.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

- 1) CAO Report regarding Board Assignments (David Wilbrecht)
Receive brief oral report by County Administrative Officer (CAO) regarding his activities.
Status meetings
Town County Liaison Meeting
Follow up with Terry Gooch Ross re ESTA observation
Vacation
Labor Negotiations

2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M09-34

Approve minutes of the regular meeting held February 10, 2009.

Supervisor Reid: Item #2 in Board Report " Conservation Fund" is in process of purchasing property that could be purchased by Fish & Game or USFS

Page 7: Walker RPAC member is Bruce Woodworth not Wentworth

Minutes are approved with corrections.

Hunt/Hazard 5-0

CLOSED SESSION

Entered Closed Session 9:03 a.m.

Exit Closed Session 10:05 a.m.

Break: 10:05 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

COUNTY COUNSEL

- 3a) Closed Session (**Dave Wilbrecht, Marshall Rudolph, Rita Sherman, Bob Garret, Mark Magit, Kelly Garcia**) - PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT. Government Code section 54957. Title: Project Manager.
- 3b) Conference with Real Property Negotiators - CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS. Government Code section 54956.8. Property: APN: 3501063. Agency negotiators: Dave Wilbrecht, Marshall Rudolph, and Brian Muir. Negotiating parties: Mono County and the Town of Mammoth Lakes. Under negotiation: price and terms of payment.
- 3c) Conference with Real Property Negotiators - CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS. Government Code section 54956.8. Properties: APNs: 0237002 and 0236128. Agency negotiators: Dave Wilbrecht, Marshall Rudolph, and Brian Muir. Negotiating parties: Mono County and the Antelope Valley Fire Protection District. Under negotiation: price and terms of payment.
- 3d) Conference with Real Property Negotiators - CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS. Government Code section 54956.8. Property: APN 2520031. Agency negotiator: Dave Wilbrecht, Marshall Rudolph, Brian Muir, and Mark Mikulicich. Negotiating parties: Mono County and Danny and Valerie Maddock. Under negotiation: Price and terms of payment.

HUMAN RESOURCES

- 4a) Labor Negotiations - CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS.

Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): David Wilbrecht, Marshall Rudolph, Brian Muir, Rick Scholl, & Robert Garret. Employee Organization(s): Mono County Deputy Sheriff's Association.

4b) Labor Negotiations - CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS.
Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): David Wilbrecht, Marshall Rudolph, Brian Muir, Rick Scholl, & Robert Garret. Employee Organization(s): Mono County Public Safety Officers' Association.

4c) Labor Negotiations - CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS.
Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): David Wilbrecht, Marshall Rudolph, Brian Muir, Mark Mikulich, & Robert Garret. Employee Organization(s): Mono County Paramedic Rescue Association.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS/EMERGING ISSUES

Jeff Walter: Public Works – one of Equipment operator employees has had stroke – report on reorganization for coming storm (temporary)

Lynda Roberts: County Clerk – Statewide Special Election will be held on May 19, 2009 – 7 measures on ballot. State will reimburse counties. (this information received from Supervisor Bauer after report)

Rich McManis – Building: update on mobile field offices – finalized arrangements with Altell – modular broadband devices. Create a system where everything can be accessible with web-based applications. Will be requesting reallocation of funds.

Marshall Rudolph, County Counsel: Trust for Public Lands response – waiting for this. Marshall contacted them and they will have answer by end of March.

Dave Wilbrecht, County Administrator: implementation of new facilities policy – facilities policy – need to backpedal so as not to offend long time groups that use facilities. People are confused about deposits and forms. Appears to users that they are paying for the mistakes of Crowley Lake users.

Ralph Obenberger, Assistant Sheriff: several burglaries have been solved that have happened over years; speed trailers and radar trailers have arrived; inmate that was arrested in Town of Mammoth – began having medical problems- taken to hospital – phone call from his wife praising the Sheriff's staff. Recording of phone call is played for Board.

Scott Burns, Community Development: Meeting re Cougar gold Exploration project – involved private property – will require permit, etc.

Meeting on Hwy 395 corridor planning; blueprint and corridor planning will be separate now and coordinated at later time.

CONSENT AGENDA

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

5a) Appointment of Gaye Mueller to Mono County Fisheries Commission

M09-35 Action: Appoint Gaye Mueller to the Mono County Fisheries Commission for the term 03/09 to 03/11.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - BUILDING DIVISION

Additional Departments: Planning, Public Works

- 6a) Fire Protection District - Permit Fees Waiver - Case-By-Case - Review of the itemized fees waiver forms and adoption by the Board of Supervisors of the permit fees waiver requests from the Antelope Valley FPD and Paradise FPD specific to proposed fire station remodel projects.

M09-36 **Action:** After review of the itemized fees waiver forms the Board of Supervisors adopt the permit fees waiver requests from the Antelope Valley FPD and Paradise FPD specific to proposed fire station remodel projects.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - PLANNING DIVISION

- 7a) Planning Commission Appointments

M09-37 **Action:** Appoint Scott Bush, Daniel Roberts and Steve Shipley to the Mono County Planning Commission, with the new four year terms expiring March 1, 2013.

REGULAR AGENDA

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED (INFORMATIONAL)

All items listed are available for review and are located in the Office of the Clerk of the Board

CLERK-RECORDER

- 8a) Letter from the Antelope Valley Senior Center - Letter of praise from the Antelope Valley Senior Center attendees regarding Site Coordinator, Claudia Bonnet.

PUBLIC WORKS

Additional Departments: Paramedics

- 9a) Bid Opening – Ford F350 Ambulance Remount (**Jeff Walters**) - Provide any desired direction to staff.

M09-38 **Action:** 1. Open, read aloud, and record sealed bids submitted in response to Public Works' Invitation to Bid to furnish one new 2009 Ford F350 XLT 4x4 diesel cab-and-chassis with ambulance remount for the paramedic program.
Golden State Fire Apparatus: \$71,654.23; Braun Northwest, Inc. \$88,677.08
2. Refer bids to the Public Works Director for review and recommendation.
Farnetti/Hazard 5-0

- 9b) FAA Grant Agreement - Lee Vining Runway Rehabilitation (**Kelly Garcia**) - Approval and ratification of acceptance of grant funds from federal Aviation Administration for runway rehabilitation at Lee Vining Airport.

M09-39 **Action:** Approve and ratify February 23, 2009, acceptance by Evan Nikirk, Public Works Director, of Grant Agreement awarding \$189,444.00 in Federal Aviation Administration funds to the County for runway rehabilitation at the Lee Vining Airport.
Hunt/Hazard 5-0

AMBULANCE PARAMEDICS

- 10a) Updated workshop for Tri-Valley EMS facility locations (**Mark Mikulicich**) -
Workshop/no Receive presentation by Paramedic Fire Rescue Chief Mark
formal action Mikulicich regarding a possible new location for a future public safety facility/EMS station in the Tri-Valley area. Consider and potentially move to pursue additional purchase information for the identified property. Provide any desired direction to staff.

Mark Mikulicich addresses Board – Tri Valley EMS operations – wants to open discussion as to additional sights for EMS station/public safety facility– sights located in Hammil Valley area have been explored; a sight on Black Rock Mine Rd. was being considered but fell through. 76 acres off Hwy 6 is for sale; Falls Creek Ranch area had potential But has since fallen through. Mark is here to open discussion re this and perhaps discuss the 76 acres that is for sale. Supervisor Hazard reports on his involvement in location search – he has been out in community trying to determine what properties might be available. There is some BLM property that would perhaps be available for land trade. Owners of 76 acres want \$199,000 for property. This property is 4 parcels and has been approved by Planning Dept. for subdivision. In Public Works waiting for tract map. This property is located between Benton and Chalfant in Hammil. In order to have Care Flight/Air evacuation there would have to be a heli-pad with fuel available. Reid asks what would East side of Hwy 6 property included in 76 acres would be used for? Could use for land swap? No specific uses have been identified yet but there is a lot of potential. Farnetti reminds Board has allocated \$300,000 for this purpose (future EMS station)

Board reconvenes in Closed Session at 11:00 a.m.
Board reconvenes in Regular Session at 11:30 a.m.

FINANCE

- 11a) FY 08/09 Mid Year Budget (**Brian Muir**) - Review proposed adjustments to FY 08/09 Budget.
Need to remain below Gann Limit
Requests remaining are reviewed.

Rob Clark Town of Mammoth Lakes Manager: Asking that County consider purchasing Hospital Option Parcel; Farnetti states that he would like to see zoning options in future in case a public facility is not built; changes in Air Service proposal – hoping for summer service but aircraft cannot be allocated; airline is interested in year round service from LAX and town is committed to assist in air service. Town will set aside \$250,000 for air service revenue guarantees. Board consensus is to move forward with purchasing Hospital Option Parcel.

Policy Items: Items Discussed/approved

Scanner – finance \$46,000
EMS Location in Tri-Valley \$200,000
Road Equipment – come back to this
Antelope Valley Land Acquisition – come back to this
Exchange parcel – CAO will meet with Town Manager and express Boards desires and he will report to Town and CAO will bring back to Board
CAO Office Asst. Sierra Center Mall – come back to this

CAO risk management – no

County Counsel FTE Assistant – no
Public Works Auchoberry Pit Reclamation Plan – not ready for approval yet
Fencing Auchoberry Pit – not ready for approval yet (CAO states there are two areas; the topside area is the risk area)
Board will agree to ½ of \$25,000 for partial fencing of this area \$15,000
Reclamation for Green Creek Pit – Road Dept. no longer interested in this
Funds for new 12,000 square foot bldg. - need site - plan is to construct bldg. and return monies by using gas tax – would be an Inyo County Bldg. They need to find site/lease with DWP Will wait to hear from George Milovich re progress on this

Community Center facility plan discussion: CAO addresses Board as to whether they wish to enhance various community events with special events coordinator of facilities – where should this person be placed (other than Econ. Dev.) what department – at this time it is not an efficient system – could be in Public Works or CAO assistant position – leave position in CAO office and they can work with Public Works. Board discussion. This position will not work in Economic Development Department; Hazard wants to see a formal discussion re Parks and Rec. and possibilities. Hunt wants a thorough analysis before allocating any funds. Reid feels it is not working the way it is supposed to work at this time. There is a breakdown of communications. Should be placed under Public Works. All Site Coordinators should meet with facility person and work this out according to each community. CAO suggests reallocating either his position that won't be filled or position in Assessor's office that is not being filled and get some help for whatever department this ends up in. Probably public works. Reallocation of resources is the answer and this position should be created immediately. Project Coordinator would be the position and it would be under public works department. Public Works can develop the job description and advertise for this position – Bob Garrett volunteers to take on this recruitment. CAO has a plan for this position; Board consensus is to direct CAO/HR Director to use CAO position that is vacant and move forward with concept. County needs a project coordinator for public facility use. Operation and maintenance of facilities. Supervisor Bauer is not in favor of hiring more staff. Consensus of Board is to move forward with this. CAO will work with PW Director to work out plan for this new position. Bob Garret will also work with them.

Capital Improvement Program

Fund Balance Summary is reviewed item by item
Courthouse upgrades money is frozen – no information on this – deferred
Lee Vining Community Center Landscaping – grant funds frozen (PW will continue to move forward with design so that we are ready to proceed) County could allocate money and forget grant funding
Crowley Lake Community Center Landscaping – planning should go forward so supplies can be ordered and ready to use in spring
Bridgeport Jail – moving forward (roof/HVAC)
Walker Ball Field moving forward
Bridgeport Skateboard Park – landscaping to be installed in Spring
Sheriff Needs Assessment Study – Brian will assist Sheriff in preparing RFP
Crowley Lake Dr. Right of Way Study – Public Works comments. Waiting to do a true survey of road to determine road boundary – but decided that individuals would come in with requests for use and obtain use permit, etc. \$20,000 to be returned to general fund.
Storage Trailer – need for storage in Bridgeport – consensus is to return \$10,000 to general fund
Tri Valley EMS property \$200,000 OK
Walker Community Center \$100,000 (wait for results of needs assessment)
CIP Unallocated \$834,616 – end of fiscal year finance director will move this money back

Hazard inquires about all the little problems in the community centers that need maintenance/repairs? There will be an allocation of funds (approx \$100,000) to make these repairs, etc. Board consensus is to allocate \$100,000 out of CIP fund to Public Works budget. These repairs, maintenance issues, etc. will be addressed immediately
There is an understanding that PW could come back to Board for additional funds.

Paramedic Garage – on hold
Bridgeport Memorial Hall – hold
Chalfant Park – Landscape services are being contracted from Mammoth Lakes
Crowley Lake Mailboxes have been ordered and installation is soon

Bridgeport RPAC for last 18 months has been struggling with visitor's center – Supervisor Reid has suggested to community to use the Senior Center – it definitely has possibilities – seems like it would be a good place – near restrooms, museum, park, etc. Supervisor Reid requests that Board assist with funding the senior center improvements – will decide after needs assessment is finished. In the meantime Supervisor Reid will move forward with Building Official Rick McManis to determine what improvements are needed and what they might cost. Including signage on highway. Board consensus is to allocate \$25,000 each for the communities of Bridgeport and June Lake to explore, improve, create etc. visitor centers.

ESTA – Supervisors Bauer and Hunt request \$5,000 to hire Terry Gooch Ross to provide a new perspective on the organization with the hope that other involved entities will also fund this

Heavy Equipment Replacements:

Delivery can be made on first four trucks by June 30th if blades are not put on at this time.

PW will bring list forward of Heavy Equipment needs for 2009-2010 fiscal year to enable them to order equipment before the next budget is finalized – otherwise it is too late by the time equipment arrives

Board consensus is to allocate \$1,048,000 to PW – spend \$400,000 now and \$600,000 after June 30th to purchase heavy equipment.

BUDGET SUMMARY AFTER DISCUSSION
Attached to meeting minutes herein

M09-40 **Action:** Adjust FY 08/09 Budget appropriations as discussed.
Hazard/Farnetti 5-0

LUNCH: 11:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD
None

HUMAN RESOURCES

12a) Amendment of the 2008/2009 Mono County List of Allocated Positions (**Robert Garret**) - Consider and potentially adopt proposed resolution authorizing the Deputy County Administrative Officer - Human Resources to Amend the County of Mono List of Allocated Positions to reflect organizational changes in the County Assessors Office and the Community Development Department. Receive staff report. Provide any desired direction to staff.

R09-9 **Action:** Adopt resolution R09-9 authorizing the Deputy County Administrative Officer Human Resources to amend the County of Mono List of Allocated Positions to reflect organizational changes in the County Assessors Office and the Community Development Department.
Hazard/Hunt 5-0

PUBLIC WORKS

Additional Departments: Paramedics

13a) Purchase Contract – Ford F350 Ambulance Remount (**Jeff Walters**) - Receive oral report and recommendation(s) from Public Works regarding the results of bids opened earlier in the meeting.

M09-41 **Action:** 1. Award a purchase contract to the lowest responsible bidder (Golden State Fire Apparatus – Modesto, California) for one new 2009 Ford F350 XLT 4x4 diesel cab-and-chassis with ambulance remount for the paramedic program at a cost of \$71,654.93 2. Authorize the Public Works Director to prepare, process, and execute applicable purchase documents with said dealership on behalf of Mono County.
Hazard/Bauer 5-0

3:45 p.m. ADJOURNMENT meeting is adjourned in memory of **Tom Crum** of White Mountain Estates.

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